



Evergreen
School District

Reopening of Schools

ETA Information Meeting
Dr. Emy Flores, Superintendent
July 20, 2020



Meeting Agenda

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Evergreen School District - Board of Trustees Decision



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- On July 15, 2020, the Evergreen School District Board of Trustees unanimously approved an online distance learning model to commence the 2020-21 school year, which begins on August 19, 2020.
- EESD will re-evaluate our ability to safeguard schools and keep students and staff healthy and safe at the end of the third week in December so that, if we need to change to the Hybrid Learning model, we do so in January, when students return from Winter break.

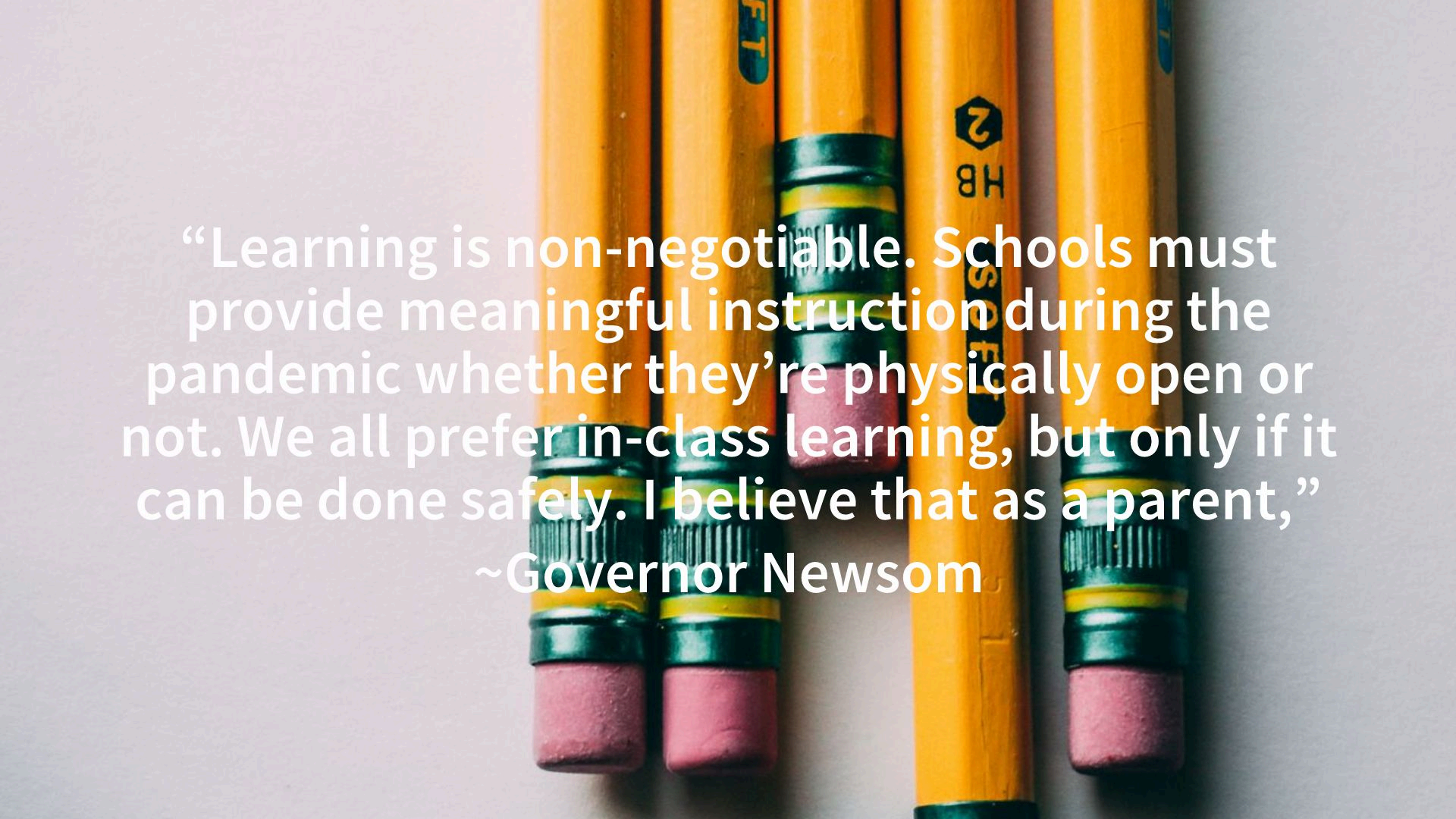
California Department of Public Health Mandate and Order from Governor Gavin Newsom



- On July 17, 2020, California Department of Public Health Mandates School Closures for Schools Located in Counties on the COVID-19 Watch List
- Governor Gavin Newsom addressed the topic as well at his July 17, 2020, press conference and issued a written statement aligned to the CDPH directive.
- Schools and school districts may reopen for in-person instruction only if they are located in a county that has not been on a county monitoring list within the prior 14 days. Santa Clara County is on that list.
- Schools are to remain physically closed and may only provide distance learning until they have been off the monitoring list for at least 14 days.

County of Santa Clara Office of Public Health Orders

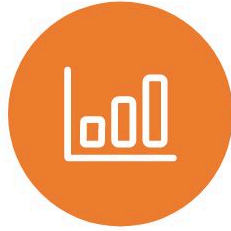
- 1 The County of Santa Clara Office of Public Health followed with an order on July 17, 2020, for the “closure of all in-person operations at schools in counties on the State’s monitoring list except for elementary schools that obtain a waiver from the local health officer”. The order included all public, private, and charter schools.
- 2 This order states that “schools may not open for any in-person instruction, athletic or extracurricular activities, or other related functions, including hybrid learning models at this time”.
- 3 Once Santa Clara County has been off of the State’s monitoring list for 14 days, schools should resume in-person instruction and activities consistent with health and safety requirements.
- 4 Public Health offers waivers as a pathway for in-person instruction at elementary schools. At this time, the number of COVID-19 cases and deaths are still on the rise and I do not recommend changing our course.

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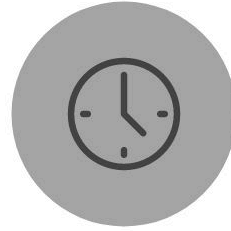
“Learning is non-negotiable. Schools must provide meaningful instruction during the pandemic whether they’re physically open or not. We all prefer in-class learning, but only if it can be done safely. I believe that as a parent,”
~Governor Newsom



Daily Live Interaction
Required



Student Attendance



Daily Instructional
Minutes



Serving Students With
Special Needs



Preventing
Disengagement



Ensuring Families'
Connectivity



Weekly Engagement
Records



Replacing Accountability
Plans

Distance Learning Requirements for Schools

Senate Bill 98

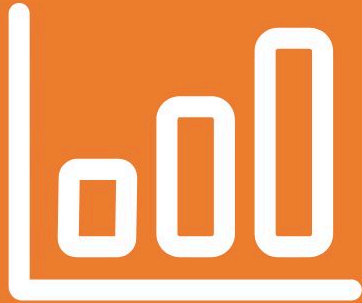
Distance Learning Requirements for Schools:



'Daily Live Interaction' Requirement

Under SB 98, there must be daily live interaction with teachers and peers for purposes of instruction, progress monitoring, and maintaining school connectedness.

Distance Learning Requirements for Schools:



Taking Student Attendance

SB 98 creates requirements for reporting attendance during distance learning.

Schools must take students' attendance and participation under distance learning, or risk losing state funding.

Students who don't participate will factor into school's chronic absenteeism figures.

Distance Learning Requirements for Schools:



Daily Instructional Minutes

SB 98 defines minimum instructional minutes per day at all grade levels.

3 hours per day for kindergartners

3 hours, 50 minutes for grades 1-3

4 hours for grades 4-12

Distance Learning Requirements for Schools:



Serving Students With Special Needs

SB 98 requires that schools have to provide the “accommodations necessary” to serve students with special needs.

Distance Learning Requirements for Schools:



Preventing Disengagement

SB 98 defines daily participation & requires Districts to develop re-engagement plan if a student misses more than 60% of their weekly participation rate.

Distance Learning Requirements for Schools:



Ensuring Students and Families' Connectivity

Under SB 98, schools will have to ensure that students and families have the devices and connectivity necessary to participate in distance learning, or make accommodations if they do not.

Distance Learning Requirements for Schools:



Weekly Engagement Records

SB 98 mandates that schools keep “weekly engagement records” noting how much synchronous or asynchronous instruction a student has received.

Distance Learning Requirements for Schools:



Replacing Accountability Plans

SB 98 requires that schools team up with parents and teachers to create a “learning continuity and attendance plan” by Sept. 30, replacing schools' usual annual planning documents.

Daily School Schedules



Schedule drafts are being created based on distance learning requirements. ETA and District still need to meet to bargain the Impacts and Effects of DL.

Ensuring Students, Families, and Staff Access to Technology



EESD is purchasing devices for learning. EESD is replacing approximately 25% of all teacher laptops.

Ensuring High Quality Professional Development



Educational Services is working on a professional development calendar. Weekly schedules will include time for continuous professional development.

Childcare



We are working with the City of San Jose, YMCA, and other child-care providers to ensure availability of childcare for employees. An update will be provided by Friday.